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Sir:

This correspondence responds to the Advisory Action dated February 1, 2002, the period for response with a three-month extension extends to May 30, 2002. This correspondence is filed as a submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for filing of a Request for Continued Examination. Applicant is concurrently submitting a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) transmittal.

The Office indicated in the Advisory Action dated February 1, 2002 that the Amendment filed on December 31, 2001 would not be entered because it would require further search and consideration. Applicant respectfully requests that the Office consider the Amendment of December 31, 2001 as another submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and also requests that the Amendment of December 31, 2001 be entered. A copy of the Amendment filed on December 31, 2001 is enclosed herewith for the Examiner's convenience. Please enter the following remarks:

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